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| Attorney Docket No.    | 3257-29A                                  |
| First Inventor         | Maurice R. Paquin                         |
| Title                  | Method for Joining Nonwoven Mesh Products |
| Express Mail Label No. | EF321730873US                             |

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
*(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)*
2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3.  Specification [Total Pages 29]  
*(preferred arrangement set forth below)*
  - Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings *(if filed)*
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [ Total Sheets 4 ]
5. Oath or Declaration [ Total Pages 4 ]
  - a.  Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
*(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)*
    - i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
*Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).*
6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission *(if applicable, all necessary)*
  - a.  Computer Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
    - i.  CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
    - ii.  paper
  - c.  Statements verifying identity of above copies

## ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10.  37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement  Power of Attorney *(when there is an assignee)*
11.  English Translation Document *(if applicable)*
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) *(Should be specifically itemized)*
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) *(if foreign priority is claimed)*
16.  Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17.  Other: .....

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation  Divisional  Continuation-In-part (CIP)

of prior application No. 09 290,899

Prior application information: Examiner A. Vanatta

Group Art Unit: 3765

For CONTINUATION OR DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2001

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## Complete if Known

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| Application Number   | -                 |
| Filing Date          | -                 |
| First Named Inventor | Maurice R. Paquin |
| Examiner Name        | -                 |
| Group Art Unit       | -                 |
| Attorney Docket No.  | 3257-29A          |

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2.  Payment Enclosed:

Check  Credit card  Money Order  Other

## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Small Entity

| Fee Code (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description           | Fee Paid |
|---------------|----------|---------------|---------------------------|----------|
| 101           | 710      | 201           | 355 Utility filing fee    | 710      |
| 106           | 320      | 206           | 160 Design filing fee     |          |
| 107           | 490      | 207           | 245 Plant filing fee      |          |
| 108           | 710      | 208           | 355 Reissue filing fee    |          |
| 114           | 150      | 214           | 75 Provisional filing fee |          |

**SUBTOTAL (1) (\$ 710**

### 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

| Total Claims       | 53 | Extra Claims | Fee from below | Fee Paid   |
|--------------------|----|--------------|----------------|------------|
| Independent Claims | 2  | -20** =      | 33             | 18 = 594   |
| Multiple Dependent |    | -3** =       | 0              | 0 x 80 = 0 |
|                    |    |              |                | 270 = 270  |

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| Fee Code (\$) | Fee (\$) | Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description  |
|---------------|----------|---------------|--|
| 103           | 18       | 203           | 9 Claims in excess of 20                                     |
| 102           | 80       | 202           | 40 Independent claims in excess of 3                         |
| 104           | 270      | 204           | 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid                    |
| 109           | 80       | 209           | 40 ** Reissue Independent claims over original patent        |
| 110           | 18       | 210           | 9 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent |

**SUBTOTAL (2) (\$ 864**

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## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

| Large Entity Fee Code (\$) | Small Entity Fee Code (\$) | Fee Description   | Fee Paid |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|---|----------|
| 105                        | 130                        | 205 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath  |          |
| 127                        | 50                         | 227 25 Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet                     |          |
| 139                        | 130                        | 139 130 Non-English specification   |          |
| 147                        | 2,520                      | 147 2,520 For filing a request for ex parte reexamination                         |          |
| 112                        | 920*                       | 112 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action                   |          |
| 113                        | 1,840*                     | 113 1,840* Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action                    |          |
| 115                        | 110                        | 215 55 Extension for reply within first month                                     |          |
| 116                        | 390                        | 216 195 Extension for reply within second month                                   |          |
| 117                        | 890                        | 217 445 Extension for reply within third month                                    |          |
| 118                        | 1,390                      | 218 695 Extension for reply within fourth month                                   |          |
| 128                        | 1,890                      | 228 945 Extension for reply within fifth month                                    |          |
| 119                        | 310                        | 219 155 Notice of Appeal  |          |
| 120                        | 310                        | 220 155 Filing a brief in support of an appeal                                    |          |
| 121                        | 270                        | 221 135 Request for oral hearing  |          |
| 138                        | 1,510                      | 138 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding                           |          |
| 140                        | 110                        | 240 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable   |          |
| 141                        | 1,240                      | 241 620 Petition to revive - unintentional  |          |
| 142                        | 1,240                      | 242 620 Utility issue fee (or reissue)  |          |
| 143                        | 440                        | 243 220 Design issue fee  |          |
| 144                        | 600                        | 244 300 Plant Issue fee   |          |
| 122                        | 130                        | 122 130 Petitions to the Commissioner   |          |
| 123                        | 50                         | 123 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)  |          |
| 126                        | 180                        | 126 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt                                 |          |
| 581                        | 40                         | 581 40 Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) |          |
| 146                        | 710                        | 246 355 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))             |          |
| 149                        | 710                        | 249 355 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))          |          |
| 179                        | 710                        | 279 355 Request for Continued Examination (RCE)                                   |          |
| 169                        | 900                        | 169 900 Request for expedited examination of a design application                 |          |

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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